which marked the assumption of command by Admiral Makaroff, will permit the free-exit of the neavy armored ships. With the channel open it is expected that Admiral Makaroff will make the squadron an aggressive force.

Appreciating the misfortune of the division of the fleet before the war, it is believed that Admiral Makaroff will attempt to unite his forces by bringing the Viadivostok squadron to Port Arthur.

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Repairs on the battleship Retrizan will be completed in a few weeks, but the battleship Czareviten is so badly damaged that it is not thought that she can participate in any of the operations for a long time.

#### ALEXIEFF'S ACCOUNT.

Viceroy Gives Nicholas Story of Fight on Wednesday.

(By Associated Press.) ST. PETERSBURG, March 11.-Viceroy Alexien has sent the following message

"In the fight between our torpedo boats and the Japanese cruisers on March 10th, Captain Matteussevitch, Ensign Alexandroff and Mechanical Engineer Blinoff received slight wounds, and Ensign Zach was severely wounded in the head, losing his right eye.

The commandant at Port Arthur re-ports the following details of the bom-bardment of the fortress there on March 10th:

10th:
"'As soon as the enemy opened fire our batteries replied. Six of the enemy's ships remained behind the Lino-Tishin promontory and opened fire on the fortress montory and opened fire on the fortress over that shelter. They ceased bombarding at 1:15 P. M. The enemy fred about two hundred projectiles. One shell from battery No. 15, on Electric Cliff, damaged or Japanese cruiser seriously.

"The results of the bombardment were insignificant; six soldiers were wounded, three inhabitants of the town were killed and one was seriously wounded.

"According to General Stossel's report the officers and soldiers in the shore batteries displayed exemplary courage and fired their guns in perfect order."

### NO FIGHTING YESTERDAY.

At Least London Was Not Able to Hear of

Any. (By Associated Press.)

LONDON, March 12.—Although there is some confusion of dates in the official messages from the far Past regarding recent attacks on Port Arthur and other engagements, which is probably due to the fact that these affairs occurred during the night time, no fresh action is known to have taken place on Friday.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Seoul describes these-lapanese attacks on Port Arthur as "successful preparatory bombardments," thereby inimating that a greater attempt to reduce Port Arthur is imminent.

The official announcement from Mukden that the Russian army corps, which has arrived at Harbin, will be held there because of the landing of Japanese troops at different points and the various reports of the intentions of the Japanese commanders, is an unintentional tribute messages from the far Last regarding

reports of the intentions of the Japanese commanders, is an unintentional tribute from Viceroy Alexieff to Japan's extraordinary success in concealing her plan of campaign and mystifying the enemy as to her intovements.

A correspondent at Che-Foo. of the Daily Mail. gives alleged information of the Japanese landing movements up to March 9th, and says that disembarkation is proceeding at Chemulpo and points to the northward with marvelous rapidity. During the last ten days sixteen transports have landed ten thousand men at a town the Japanese, call. Kaishoe at a town the Japanese, call Kalshoe (probably Hwang-Ju, ninety-four miles northwest of Chemulpo, on the Tai-Dong River) twelve miles by sea from Che-

#### TURNS BACK ON RU:SIA.

Korea Takes Opportunity to Aunounce Nullification of Concessions.

TOKIO, March 11.—The Japanese-Korean protocol was published at Seoul, In an extra edition of the Gazette yesin an extra edition of the Gazette yes-terday. The Korean government will pub-liely amounch that the publication of the protocol milities the concessions granted to Russia, such as the non-alienation of coal mining at Kochyo Island, and Roze Island and the foresty concessions in the Ulleungdo, Tumen and Yalu Valleys.

The Panama Canal is proving a live subject with the school boys. There's distinction as well as handsome prices awaiting the winners. Phone or call for slips ex-plaining the contest.



The Dunlap can't be beat!

We've all the good blocks for spring from \$1.50 up. We've just the hat here most becom-ing to your face and figure.

A tip to those who read our

daily ads.

Last Spring's Suits go on sale to-day at one-third to one-half off last spring's prices.

Everybody'll know it to-morrow, as we're going to talk louder in Sunday's paper.

You come in to-day.



MEN'& BOYS' OUTFITTERS.

## VIRGINIA BRIEFS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, VA., March II.—At a meeting of the Southampton County Teachers' institute at Courtland, the following officers were elected: Dr. J. F. Bryant, president; Walter W. White, first vice-president; Mrs. S. L. Beaton, secretary, and Miss Person, treasures.
NORFOLK, VA.—The will of James P. Johnson, disposing of an estate of the property goes to his wife, and the remaindights divided among his five children.

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STAUNTON, VA.—The dwelling house of Mr. J. W. Geiger, of the county, was destroyed by lire about midnight last night, the himates escaping in their night clothes. Everything in the house was destroyed. Loss about three thousand utiliars.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.—The cruiser Cleveland, with a board of inspection and survey on board, sailed to-day from Old Point Comfort for Charleston, S. C. Captain Charles J. Train is president of the board, which goes to the Palmetto State in connection with the new naval station to be established at Charleston.

BOYD'TON, VA.—Mrs. E. G. Dowling, the owner of the Hotel Southern, in this place, has leased the property to Mr. Dodson, of near Danville.

WINCHESTER, VA.—A large barn belonging to Dorsey Dehaven, this county, was destroyed by fire last evening, together with all its contents. The loss is \$2.500, with no insurance.

CHATHAM, VA.—The ten-year-old son of James Short, of Sycamore, Wednesday, while at work in a new ground was caught leg in the thigh and the other below the ankle.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA.—The faculty NEWPORT NEWS, VA.-The cruise

leg in the thigh and the other below the ankle.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA.—The faculty and students of William, and Mary College received an invitation to-day from the president of the Newport News Shipbullding Company to attend the launching of the battleship Virginia on Apra. 5th, and to take, part in the parade on that occasion. The invitation will be accepted.

LYNCHBURG, VA.—Mrs. Virginia Lee Guy, who resides in Rivermont, has instituted suit in the Circuit Court of Fluvanna county against the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad for \$10,000 for the death of her son, Guy, who was killed near Hardware by being run over by a train. Toding Guy was visiting in Fluvanna.

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CHATHAM, VA.-G. E. Watlington, a merchant of Elba, on Wednesday afternoon filed a deed of assignment in the Clrcuit Court clerk's office, naming G. B. Moore & Co., of Lynchburg, as preferred creditors in three notes, amounting to over \$55.

ARVONIA, VA.-In a dance given last Wednesday night on the farm of Mr. David Gannaway, John Allen, colored, shot and killed a negro named Henry Monroe. No arrest has been made.
STAUNTON, VA.-Mr. William A. Boll and Miss Mary West, both of this city, went to Washington, and were married there Wednesday by Rev. F. R. Prettyman, The bride and groom will make their bride in business.

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# MANCHESTER ROBBERS IN LICENSE TAX PETERSBURG

Ordinance Was Not Considered Tabb Street Church to Spend by the Council Last

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, L No. 1102 Hull Street. Council did not consider the license tax ordinance last night, but ordered it to be printed for distribution among the nembers, for consideration at the next-

Up to this time Manchester has nover had a consistent license tax. Last year a special committee was appointed, with Mr. R. V. Owen chairman, to examine into the question and to report before

moeting.

August of this yeer.

Mr. Owen and his committee set to work seriously and energetically to place Manchester on a footing with other cities in the State. This idea was to protect the local merchants and to demand from the committee of the worker.

local merchants and to demand from them an equitable license for the protection afforded, at the same time creating a source of revenue, commensurate with the amount of business transacted.

For months Mr. Owen and Mr. Rudd, a subcommittee of the License Committee, worked hard. They examined the license reports of nine other cities. The present bill is the result.

It taxes several interests that have heretofore remained untaxed; it places the minimum merchants' tax at \$5, and it raises the liquor license from \$30 to \$125.

The general average is less than other cities of like size.

When the bill comes up at the next neeting, all persons interested will be ns, all persons interested will be to appear before the body of their protests, if they have any

ship upon any one.
Nothing but routine work was done

last night by Council.

The board of Aldermen will meet on Tuesday night, when nothing but small matters of a routine nature are expected FOR RE-ELECTION.

Councilman Owen said last night that he had heard there would be strong op-position against him for re-election on

will always do my best in Council for the interests of the city." FUNERAL OF MR. ALVIS. The funeral of Mr. William W. Alvis will be from Oak Grove Baptist Church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, and the

burial will be in Maury Cometery. Mr. Alvis died Thursday night, after a short illness of pneumonia. He was forty-five years old, and is survived by his wife and five children. His brothers are John S. and Walter L., of Manchester, and J. A., of Richmond, and his sisters—Mrs. Maury Gates and Mrs. Anna Childress, of Richmond, and Mrs. Sallie Knibb, of Goochland.

Mr. M. R. Herring; dispatcher at the P. and P. Station, Seventh and Perry Streets, is sick at Memorial Hospital. Mr. F. T. Dickinson has opened up the electrical contractors' business at No. 815

Hull Street. Beta Chapter, Standard Bearers, Stockton Street Church, met last night at No. 1319 Porter Street.

Judge Clopton will noid court for Judge
Watson next week.

### 58 CONVERSIONS.

Great Revival in Progress at Pine Street Church.

Pine Street Church.

A notable, and in some respects remarkable, revival Is in progress at the Pine Street Baptist Church, of this city. The preaching began Monday night, and there are already 68 conversions. For three nights in succession fourteen persons have professed conversion, and there were sixteen others at a special afternoon service yesterday. The crowds are large, and the interest is very great.

The meeting is being conducted by the Rev. C. W. Duke, of Elizabeth City. N. C. who seven years ago converted 200 people at the church.

The services will continue through next week. There will be preaching to-night after a half-hour prayer meeting. To-morrow, besides the usual morning and night services, there will be a special meeting for men at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Mr. Duke will also address the Sunday school children at 10 A. M.

Four Thousand for Improvements.

(Special to The Times-Disputch.) PETERSBURG, VA., March 11.—The Building Committee of Tabb Street Presbyterian Church has awarded to Messrs Perkinson and Flinn the contract for the granolithic work to be done in the church yard, entrance to the manse and on the large portice of the church. These and other improvements were authorized by the congregation Sunday, and it is expected to spend about \$6000 in making the improvements to the church and

manso.

Thieves were at work in the city last night, and several houses were visited. An unsuccessful attempt was made to enter the residence of Mrs. G. B. Eanes. The robbers were discovered and made their escape. At the house of Many Hill, colored, they were more successful, and secured some booty. Upon leaving the house the thleves set fire to the place. The flames were discovered in time to prevent much damage, and the building was saved.

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The Petersburg tobacco market has been very active throughout the week. Receipts were heavy, the usual offerings received by wagons being augmented by large quantities shipped by rail from the adjoining counties. Good prices have prevailed during the week; the offerings were very ground as to quality and the prices valled during the week; the offerings were very good as to quality, and the prices at the close were higher than at the be-ginning of the week. The breaks were the

heaviest of the season.

Mr. J. W. Titus, for many years connected with the Virginia Manufacturing

Mr. J. W. Titus, for many years company, of Suffolk, Va., has moved with his family to Petersburg, where he will hereafter reside.

Rehearsals nave begun for the production by Petersburg juveniles of Palmer Cox's "Brownies" at the Academy of Music next Briday and Saturday, for the gymnasium fund of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Wesley Leonard Wray and Miss Louise Carter Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Lewis, of Dinwiddle county, were married here yesterday by the Rev. J. A. Jofferson. The affair was an elopement, objections to the marriago being on the ground of the youth of the bride, who is but fourteen years of age.

W. H. Camp, Jr., son of Mr. W. H. Camp, collector of the city axes, suffered a fracture of one of his legs yes-

Tucker,
Miss Rebecca Marks, of Dinwiddle county, wha had been teaching school near
Covington, Va., has returned to her
home near Petersburg.
Rev. Father O'Ferrall spent the day in

Farmville, being summoned there to visit a sick friend. Miss Annie Harvell has returned from a visit to Suffolk.

#### In the Churches.

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At the morning service Sunday the Grove Avenue choir will render: "Sing Allehulia Forth (Dudley Buck), anthem for quantette with bass, tenor and soprano solos; offerfort, baritone solo. "Calvary" (Rodney), Mr. Clarance D. Wilkes; response, "Sowing the Seed." At the night service "Gloria in Excelsis" (Wilson), quartette with soprano, tenor and bass solos; response, "No. Shadows Yonder," from "Gaul's Holy City."

1... usual 'inspiring hymns will be sung by the congregation, led by the organ and the new quartette choir.

Dr. Witherspoon, paster of Grace Stree Presbyterian Church, will preach to

The regular monthly meeting of the chusten from the Orphanage will be pres-ent in a body and take part in the pro-gramme. Besides the exercises by the children there will be an address and the rending of reports from the schools.

The Rev. M. Ashby Jones has recovered from a sharp spell of the grip and is able to be out again. He will occupy his pulpit at the Leigh Street Bartlet Church at both services to-morrow. While Mr. Jones was sick with the grip his congregation met and raised his salary to a handsome sum.

#### WAS IT KENNEDY?

Man Answering His Description Was Seen in Fulton.

The police do not think the man reported by Mr. Tom Davis, yard cierk at the Orleans yards of the Chesapeake and Ohlo, was the escaped convict Kennedy. They cannot conceive of the idea that Kennedy would come this way from Staunton on his way to Cincinnati. Mr. Davis is quite sure that the man was Kennedy, as he had seen a photograph of the man.

It was near 6 o'clock when he was tapproached by a min answering Kennedy's description. The man pointed a pisthe next train left for Cincinnati. He was told it would leave in fifteen minutes. Then the stranger "yamoosed."

Ar. Kennedy lost no time in notifying the police and a search was made without result.

Telegrams were sent ahead of the train to search it. This was also done without avail.

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The parliamentary struggle between the Republicans and Democrats came late in the day. The recommendation of the committee that the Hay resolution lay on the table was brushed aside unanimously. The Democratic demand for a full investigation finally came to a vote in the shape of an appeal from the decision of the chair by Mr. Griggs (Georgia), and was defeated, 14t to 125, a strict party vote. A resolution for an investigation of the connection of members with the department, offered by Rpresentative McCail, of Massachusetts, then was agreed to. Only Representatives Lind, (Dem., Minn.) and Gillespie (Dem., Texas) opposing it.

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Mr. Cowherd (Missouri) opened the dehate with a vigorous and emphatic anewer to the charges and epithets which
members had hurled at the Postoffice
Department,

Members, he said, had stated the department had iled and published maliclous slanders ugainst members of the
licuse. They said the department did
it for a purpose, "and then they say
the membership of the House will appoint
a committee, before which members can
go and have the particular case investigated. But," he said, his words being
greeted with applause, "When you come

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Continuing, he inquired:
"Are you going to say to the country
that the department that lies about you that the department that lies about you tells the truth about its own actions? Do you intend to go before your constituency and the good people of the United States and say that this great department, which has published this report, 'conceived in sin and born in infquity,' is the purest and the best and the most capable to examine into its own infqties?" Loud applause, followed this utterance.

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Hyena in Human Form. Mr. Kluttz (North Carolina) maintained that members had been charged with no violation of law, but with a solution of secret regulation of the Postoffico Department, which could not have been known to the members named in the

to investigate the department, it must

Citional elerical assistance.

"What more detestable," he vehement-ity inquired, "is the hyena in human form, who would tear aside the sepulchre of the dead and seek to besmirch and bo nark was brought out because included among the names mentioned in the report was that of the late Representative Moody, of North Carolina, Mr. Kluttz also vigorously defended former Senator and now Justice Pritchard. He closed by

demanding an investigation of the de-partment.

Mr. Finley (South Carolina), a minori-ty member of the Postoffice Committee, ty member of the Postoffice Committee, said he did not believe General Bristow compiled the report, but the identity of the person who did, he asserted, would soon be revealed.

Contained Much Falsehood. "In many instances within my ow knowledge," he declared, "it contains a much falsehood as was ever put on pa

in the report, "The publication of this document, and Mr. Burleson (Texas), who followed Mr. Finley, "has done a great wrong to members on both sides of the House." Somebody, the declared, was responsible for it. "It was prepared for a purpose," it was prepared for a purpose, "It was prepared for a purpose," for it. "It was prepared for a purpose, he warmly stated. The man who is responsible for it, the postmaster-general, he said, was approached by the press for an explanation, "What did he do?" he inquired, "Why," he said, "he made light of it and spoke jestingly of it, and when further questioned laughed.

"The Postoffice Department," he said, "received with softeness and was steeped.

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he said, was to involve honorable men of both parties "in this scandalous trans-action," and thereby intimidate them from moving further in what the Amercan people are demanding "Distinguished Imbecile."

"Distinguished Imbecile.'

Mr. Clayton (Ala.) was unsparing in his criticism of Postmaster-General Payne, to whom he referred as "that distinguished imbecile who happens to be postmaster-general of the United States.

Mr. Clayton spoke of the Tulloch charges and the light way in which Postmaster-General Payne treated them. When pressed for information, he said the postmaster-general, "that distinguished specimen of ashinity" characterized the Tulloch charges as "hot air." The inquiry had been pursued, he vehemently declared, not by virtue of the afforts of Postmaster-General Payne and President Roosevelt, but in response to a demand of the press. He closed with a bitter personal attack on Postmaster-General Payne, and referred to film as "a Mr. Hot Air man" and a "Mr. Horse Laughter man," who had been publicly congratulated by the President for the "distinguished service he rendered the country in securing the conviction of Machen and his confederates."

Swanson Opens Fire.

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No less vigorous in his denunciation of the report and of the department was Mr. Swanson (Ya), who insisted that every member of the House, whether he was mentioned in the report or not, owes it to himself to demand and insist upon the fullest investigation of the Postoffice Department. The whole amount involval, he said, represented by the increases was but \$14,270. The department, he said, cannot shirk its duty, and he attributed as the reason for the report, a desire of the department "to muckly the waters."

Mr. Small (N. C.) advocated an investigation of the whole Postoffice Department, saying that Mr. Hill, of Connecticuit, had declared that there was one "liar and scoundrel" there. It was barely possible, he bolleyed, that there were

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more 'liars and thieves' there than had been uncovered.

'I, a Democrat, serving my first term

been uncovered.

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in Congress, am charged with exercising
undue influence with officials of the Postoce Department," was the statement Mr. Pou (N. C.), and the House laughed He was willing to sit during the entire summer if necessary to go to the bottom of the matter. Nominated Speaker Cannon.

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William Alden Smith (Michigan) next took the floor, and fervently delivered himself of his views concerning the re-

"I denounce this report," he said, "as ort.

I denounce this report," he said, "as a voluntary and gratuitous insuit by a great executive department of this government. That department had undertaken voluntarily to cast a stigma upon this great chamber of the people. It has gone out of its way to keep facts back, which should have been given," no continued. He then threw the House into a state of wild excitement. Men of the highest character, he declared, had been assailed by the report, among them the Speaker of the House himself. "I hope that the day is not far distant when, with the general consent of the American people, the Speaker will be lifted to the executive office."

The scene which followed this remark was almost indescribable. The entire membership of the House wildly cheered. The cehoes had not died out when there was another outburst of yelling, screaminer."

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ing and cries of "hear," hear, "opear, er Cannon in the meantime was vigor-busly rapping for order.

Many members explained their connec-tion with the postoffice report, and sev-eral were granted leave to extend their remarks in the Record.

Tabled Hay Resolution.

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The recommendation of the committee to lay the Hay resolution on the table was read. Mr. Moon proposed a substitute providing for the investigation of the entire Postoffice Department by a committee of five members of the House. Against this Mr. Overstreet raised a point of order. Mr. Williams tach briefly reviewed the remarks which had been made, and said that an investigation of the Postoffice Department apparently was not desired, "because it has been thought best for the Republican party." Members, he said, had arlsen and not only had charged, but had proved, that the Postoffice Department was guilty of suppression of letters and of documents, and, he added, "suppression of the truth."

Speaker Cannon sustained the point of order against the Moon resolution.

Then followed the appeal from the decision of the clair, the tabling of the liny resolution and the passage of the McCall resolution.

Mr. Williams ordered a resolution proitself.

viding for the appointment of a commit-tee of five members of this House to in-vestigate the conduct and administration of the Postoffice Department. Mr. Payno demanded the regular order, and made a motion to adjourn, which was carried, The House thereupon, at G:12 ad-journed until to-morrow.

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likely that another man will get it, but that he will be a Democrat.

Letters which are coming to members from their constituents indicate that the publication of the list of member who are alleged guilty of irregulariti against Spain. Iwen, how perfect of the most have been gotten into the galleries of the House to-day, and though the discussion lasted until late in the afternoon the spectators did not appear to become in the least tired hearing members assert their innocence of all wrong doing

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